

To be sung or read:

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills,
and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world in truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

Bible Readings: Isaiah 42:5-7; Philippians 4:4-7; Revelation 22:20-21

In addition: Read the Arch Book, *The Innkeeper's Daughter*.

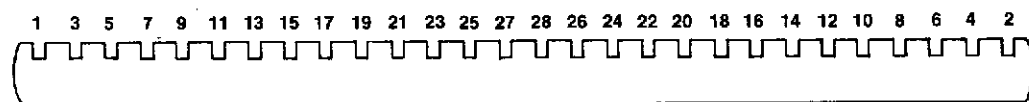
Appendix A Advent Log

Procure a log at least 6 feet long and 4 inches in diameter, preferably with the bark intact. If necessary plane one side and/or add inconspicuous bracings to stabilize the log and prevent it from rolling over when the candles are in place.

Using a 3/4" bit, drill 28 holes about 3/4" deep at equal intervals in a straight row along the top side of the log.

Determine how many days there are in Advent this year (see "Notes" at front of book) and place that many candles into the log, omitting the farthest holes on both ends as necessary. The candles should be 15 or 18 inches tall in order to provide approximately 20 minutes of candlelight each day. The traditional color for the candles is violet; blue is an alternate choice. Our family uses violet candles for weekdays and white for Sundays in order to emphasize the Easter nature of Sundays, which we feel deserves precedence over the penitential nature of the Advent season as a whole.

When lighting an additional candle each day, follow the alternating ends-to-middle pattern indicated below. Thus the Christmas Eve candle will be the apex of a pyramid of lights.



Decorate the log with branches of evergreens and/or holly sprigs.

Advent Wreath

An Advent wreath is a wreath of evergreens with four candles; one for each week of Advent.

It can be as simple as four free-standing candleholders set in a square on your table and ringed with sprigs of evergreens. It can be as elaborate as a liturgically decorated,